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 travesties, for two nights only,  
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 Successors to Pereira Bros., established 1848,  
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**MASQUERADE BALL.**  
**CASINO HALL, FEB. 2.**

Given by the

**Y. M. B. A.**

**TICKETS \$1.**  
 To be had of the Committee—H. B. Martinez,  
 P. A. Fischer, F. A. James, Wm. Hoedling, J. C.  
 Lauder, and J. C. Lauder.  
 There will be two prizes given to the best  
 male and female character masks.

**NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.**

CITY COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,  
 SAN ANTONIO, JANUARY 17, 1884.  
 Taxpayers are hereby notified that the time  
 for the payment of city taxes for the year 1883  
 expires on the 25th day of February, 1884, after  
 which date I am required to enforce payment  
 in accordance with the State law and city ordi-  
 nances. (1-14) F. C. HARTMAN, City Collector.

**Ludwig Mahncke**  
 Agent For The

**Standard Canning Com'y,**  
 Of Corpus Christi, Tex.

I am now daily receiving fresh operators and  
 field in large quantities, and am prepared to  
 furnish our people fish or oysters in any quan-  
 tity at a moderate rate. Also, have a fish  
 stand at big market, on Market street, where  
 will be open from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. every day  
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# San Antonio Light.

San Antonio, Texas, Saturday, February 2, 1884.

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offer an enormous stock of the  
 wines, liquors and cigars, at greatly  
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Ten Cents a Week

## TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

### BLUE LAWS IN PENNSYLVANIA--ARREST OF CHICKEN FIGHTERS.

Frightful Gasoline Explosion at Alliance,  
 Ohio, With Loss of Life--New Dis-  
 ease Among Mountain Sheep.

NEW ORLEANS, February 1.--The jury to  
 the case of Thelma Sykes, for the murder of  
 Kate Townsend, to-day returned a verdict of  
 not guilty.

ST. LOUIS, February 1.--George Brown and  
 A. Gibson, two notorious counterfeiters,  
 arrested yesterday at Keshville, Missouri,  
 have been taken to Springfield for safe keep-  
 ing. Brown was once concerned in a train  
 robbery in Colorado.

READING, Pa., February 1.--Eight well-  
 known citizens, horse racing with sleighs on  
 the public road, were arrested today and  
 held for court under the blue laws of 1794,  
 which provide also that, upon conviction, the  
 horses shall be sold and the proceeds placed  
 in the county treasury.

ST. PAUL, February 1.--The Marquis de  
 Morris, who shipped 12,000 sheep from Wis-  
 consin and Iowa last year to ranges in Mon-  
 tana, reports that 55 per cent. have died. The  
 animals were all and blend at the home before  
 death. A post mortem examination has dis-  
 closed an extraordinary blood in the intestines.  
 It is an incurable disease, heretofore un-  
 known.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., February 1.--It was ex-  
 pected that the caucus would nominate a Sen-  
 ator to-night. Scurry withdrew from the  
 race, and rumors of a probable nominee were  
 many. It looked as if Carlisle would get it,  
 but for some reason, when the caucus met, on  
 Monday of Mr. Halliwell, it was agreed to ad-  
 journ until Monday night, when the nomina-  
 tion will surely be made.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., February 1.--Sixty  
 policemen at midnight last night made a  
 descent upon the cockpit at New Hunting  
 park and secured 95 spectators of the battle.  
 Search resulted in the capture of 20 traps,  
 some of them well-appointed dogs. The police  
 also secured 72 chickens of all sizes and  
 breeds, and geese, ducks and other parapher-  
 nalia. The catch was valued at \$14. Each  
 of the fifty-two paid the fine, and the remaining  
 23 were committed.

NEW ORLEANS, February 1.--The Board of  
 Management of the World's exposition have  
 rejected all bids for the construction of the  
 main building, and have instructed Director  
 General Burke to advertise for proposals for  
 material for the structure, work on the build-  
 ing to be commenced at once. The mills of  
 Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama are pre-  
 pared to furnish all the lumber required, and  
 arrangements will be made to bring a large  
 number of carpenters from the Northern cities.

WOOD HAY, N. Y., February 1.--Great  
 excitement last evening. Philip Fas, a ped-  
 dler, failing to make a sale to Mrs. Julia A.  
 Keller, seized the woman by the throat and  
 choked her into insensibility. When she re-  
 vived she raised the alarm, and the people  
 started in pursuit and captured Fas. The  
 assault followed so quickly upon the Mabe  
 tragedy, and the Townsends and Sprague out-  
 rages, the people clamored for lynching Fas,  
 and Rugg, that a specially called mob was  
 sent to the present Long Island cage for attacking  
 defenseless women and old men. The officers  
 succeeded in getting Fas into jail.

PITTSBURGH, February 1.--Great damage has  
 been done along the Youghiogheny and Alle-  
 gheny rivers. On the Youghiogheny bottom  
 the lands are inundated and the families living  
 on them have been compelled to retire to the  
 second floor of their houses or wade out waist  
 deep through the icy water. At Freeport, on  
 the Allegheny, the ice is 30 feet high, and for  
 a time it was feared the town would be flooded,  
 but the gorge straitened shortly before midnight,  
 and the water obtaining an outlet, soon fell to  
 its proper level. The Allegheny ice reached  
 here at 3 o'clock this morning, and since  
 then has been steadily passing on. Several  
 flat-bottomed boats were stuck in the ice and  
 sunk the morning boats Monitor and Lilly, tied  
 up at the foot of Second street. They were  
 valued at \$15,000, and each is thought to be  
 a total loss.

ALLIANCE, Ohio, February 1.--A frightful  
 gasoline explosion occurred in F. M. Orr's  
 stove and tinware store to-day, demolishing  
 the building and burying in the ruins an un-  
 known number of people. Four persons  
 have been extricated, and four more are  
 known to be inside. Men are at work trying  
 to rescue, if possible, those still alive, and to  
 recover the bodies of the dead. Orr's store  
 was in a new brick block in the middle of  
 town. It is rumored that a child turned the  
 spigot of the gasoline tank, and the gas  
 escaping ignited by the fire in the stove.  
 Several people were in the store, and two  
 families lived on the second and third floors.  
 Besides those engulfed in the debris, many  
 are more or less seriously injured. The force  
 of the explosion wrecked and broke windows  
 in other buildings for an entire square. The  
 damage to the structure is estimated at \$75,-  
 000.

GALVESTON, February 1.--Inquiries from  
 Dallas were received to-day by the Judge of  
 the Court of Appeals regarding a decision in  
 case of the State vs. McDowell, from Bras-  
 toria, making unconstitutional all proceedings  
 of the additional terms of the County courts.  
 A synopsis of the alleged decision, published  
 in the Dallas Herald of January 29, cannot  
 the Dallas County court to come to a stand-  
 still, and spread the opinion that the famous  
 prosecutions against the gamblers in that  
 city were rendered null and void. A telegram  
 from Governor Ireland was also received in-  
 quiring about the matter. The Judges of the  
 Court of Appeals pronounce the synopsis a  
 fraud. No such decision has ever been ren-  
 dered, and the exact contrary was held in the  
 case of Wilson vs. the State, at Tyler, Ed.  
 J. Hauser, court reporter for the Herald,  
 fully denies sending the bogus report. Judges  
 White and Wilcox say that if it is the work  
 of any lawyer he should be rebuffed from prac-  
 tice forthwith. The baggage, express and mail  
 coaches of the north bound Santa Fe ex-  
 press train were derailed by an open switch this

morning, at Virginia Point, just across the  
 bay from the city. Little damage was done,  
 but Express Messenger Simms was slightly  
 injured while attempting to jump from his car.  
 Private dispatches say that Leon Hess, an  
 old resident and former dealer in dry goods of  
 this city, committed suicide, in New York  
 to-day, by shooting himself. No particulars.

**Building Permits.**  
 A. Schmitt, lumber dwelling, 1214 south  
 side Chavez street, \$100.  
 H. Langer, lumber dwelling, 4024, east  
 side Maverick street, \$1000.

**Grand Installation and Ball.**  
 The U. R. F. and S. M. T. will give an in-  
 stallation and ball at Krutch's hall on Feb-  
 ruary 12, to which all are invited to buy a  
 ticket at the moderate sum of 25 cents.

**To Marry.**  
 After a long lull in matrimonial circles, the  
 record exhibits at last a marriage license, that  
 of Mr. Martin Fuentes to Miss Lucia Canto.  
 This is the first license issued in a week's  
 time.

**The Sons and Daughters**  
 of Zion will give a Leap Year sociable at  
 Krutch hall Thursday night, February 7. Miss  
 Susan Wells, Mrs. Mary Goodrich and Mrs.  
 Della Selby are the Committee of Arrange-  
 ments.

**Indiana Mush and Kentucky Milk.**  
 At Trinity (Methodist) church next Tuesday  
 evening, by special request, mush and milk, at  
 4:30 o'clock; 25 cents a dish--big dish; bil-  
 lows of milk; splendid time. You be sure and  
 come.

**Recorder's Court.**  
 M. Miller and F. Wingate, quarreling and  
 fighting, \$5 each; Charles McNut, disorderly,  
 \$5; P. Mendez, drunk, \$5; Semlinger, G.  
 T. Connor, leaving team alone, \$3 each;  
 Connor, contempt of court, \$5.

**Arbiter Masquerade.**  
 The Arbiterverein have chosen the night  
 of February 16 for their annual masquerade  
 ball. Tickets are \$1, and can be purchased  
 from the committee only. Special prizes will  
 be given for the best masked characters and  
 lots of fun promised.

**Leap Year Festival.**  
 The Inevitable Aid association (colored)  
 will give a Leap Year festival at Krutch hall,  
 February 14. Rev. J. C. Emory, M. Body  
 and Thomas Jefferson will serve on the com-  
 mittee, and do their best to make it pleasant  
 for all who may attend.

**Throwing Glasses.**  
 Wingate went to the variety theatre last  
 night with some friends. The colored glass  
 washer said he didn't have to serve white  
 folks, so Wingate says, and from words they  
 got to throwing glasses at each other. Both  
 appeared before the Recorder this morning  
 and were fined \$5 each.

**Birthday Party.**  
 There was a most pleasant gathering of  
 friends at the residence of Mr. Jacob Weis-  
 heimer, 251 Blum street, last evening, upon  
 the occasion of the birthday of Mrs. Weis-  
 heimer, and the latter was the recipient of an  
 elegant basket of cake, garnished by a bottle  
 of wine, in honor of the event.

**Fence Cutters Arrested.**  
 Deputy Marshal Nigitt returned from  
 Derive yesterday, where he arrested the fol-  
 lowing fence cutters, all of whom gave bond:  
 J. Mangold, Jr., Peter Rihn, George Karm,  
 Louis Newman, J. Youngmann, Joseph  
 Shier, Joseph Ruhl, Lorens Rihn, Stephan  
 Biedler.

**Continuous Day.**  
 To-day is Candlemas day in the Catholic  
 church. All the churches of this faith cele-  
 brated both low and high masses, with the  
 blessing of the candles taking place at the  
 latter. These candles are used for church  
 services during the year, and these blessed for  
 individuals are used when the communion is  
 brought to the sick or at the bedside of the  
 dead. The ceremonies were quite impressive.

**Felony Report.**  
 In the City Marshal's report to the State  
 courts for the month of January, 1884, a  
 list was found there had been 348 arrests  
 in all, 26 of which had been transferred to the  
 county jail and one to Travis county. The  
 funds collected on the above cases amounted  
 to \$347. Certainly the police have performed  
 their duty well, and 27 cases transferred to the  
 county rather upsets the grand jury statement.

**Sunday Opera Glass.**  
 This is the name of a brilliant little weekly  
 publication issued by Messrs. Foulk & Adkins,  
 devoted to amusements, art, miscellany  
 and local matters generally. Number 3 of  
 which will appear to-morrow. It is furnished  
 to subscribers at the remarkably low price of  
 10 cents a month, any single number being  
 worth that price alone. It is perfect typog-  
 raphically, because it is printed by the LAM-  
 son office, and cannot fail with the most  
 popular favor it deserves.

**Before Breakfast.**  
 There was a slight breeze stirred up this  
 morning early at 214 East Commerce street  
 boarding house. Two young women, who  
 earn subsistence by collecting hair and work-  
 ing it into all sorts of puffs, frizzes, braids,  
 etc., gravely told their landlady, Mrs. Leach,  
 that they had concluded to leave, at the same  
 time declining to pay some \$15 still due.  
 Mrs. Leach then informed them that she would  
 retain what little baggage they had brought  
 with them. Upon this the young women coolly  
 brushed their landlady to one side, and seiz-  
 ing everything belonging to them, hastily rushed  
 into the street, before Mrs. Leach could summon  
 assistance. The baggage, express and mail  
 coaches of the north bound Santa Fe ex-  
 press train were derailed by an open switch this

## CRUSHED TO DEATH.

Michael Nicholas Run Over by the Street  
 Car, He Narrows the Accident  
 a Short Hour.

A sad accident took place yesterday after-  
 noon at the yards of the Sunset depot. Michael  
 Nicholas, an accountant of the company,  
 whose duty it was to book the number of all  
 the cars, while engaged in standing in the  
 middle of the yard. Absorbed in his work he  
 backed himself, with pencil and book in hand,  
 only to be knocked down by some freight car  
 that came tearing down on the switch. He  
 was run over and terribly mangled in the leg.  
 His back broken in several places and his  
 right hand cut off. It is said by spectators  
 that his appearance after being picked up from  
 under the wheels was most ghastly. He did  
 not survive the accident much more than  
 an hour after its occurrence. He was removed  
 to his home near the round house, where  
 everything could be done by his grief stricken  
 wife and friends to alleviate the pain of his  
 last moments. Justice Adam impelled a  
 jury, who witnessed the body, and postponed  
 their deliberations till this morning, in order  
 to have full and complete testimony concern-  
 ing the whole matter. It was thought that the  
 railroad company would be implicated for  
 carelessness. The jury of inquest met this  
 morning at 11 o'clock to examine witnesses,  
 but as we go to press no verdict had been  
 reached.

Nicholas will be buried this afternoon at 4  
 o'clock by the Sons of Herman, of which he  
 was a beloved member.

On February 25, 1882, Justice Adam united  
 him in marriage to the now inconsolable  
 widow, and it likewise became his duty to  
 have an inquest on his mangled remains, so  
 soon afterwards. The deceased was a pleasant,  
 industrious young man, very much esteemed  
 by all who knew him, who by economy and  
 industry was paying for a home for himself  
 and wife. Universal sympathy is expressed  
 for him by those who knew him best.

**PERSONAL.**

**Items Gleaned in the Hotel Corridors and  
 From Various Other Sources.**  
 Captain W. M. Ford returned from El Paso  
 and Chihuahua yesterday.

Mr. G. R. Robinson, of St. Louis, arrived  
 at the Maverick this morning.  
 Don Porphyrio Cadenas, of Oaxaca, Mexico,  
 is in the city, but leaves this evening for Eagle  
 Pass.

Mr. Teddy Bennett and Mr. S. H. Gunn,  
 both of New York, are registered at the  
 Maverick.

Mr. Richard H. Schmidt, editor of the New  
 Braunfels Post, paid the LAMAR a pleasant  
 call yesterday.

Mr. M. D. Rouse, special agent of the  
 Manhattan Life Insurance company, New  
 York, is in the city in the interest of that re-  
 liable company.

Gervasio Canales, of Tamaulipas, arrived  
 here yesterday from his seat of government.  
 He comes to visit his family. His children  
 are all at school here.

Hon. Warner P. Sutton, Consul General at  
 Matamoros, is at the Maverick. Mr. Sutton  
 has recently been paying official visits to some  
 of the Vice Consuls in the States of Nuevo  
 Leon and Coahuila.

Arrivals at the St. Leonard Hotel--B. E.  
 Folley, Mexico; W. S. Houdeth, Memphis,  
 Tennessee; J. M. Loomis, Bowling Green,  
 Ky.; T. A. Baker, Minnola; George H.  
 Rice, M. D., Castville; James McBride, B.  
 R. Walker, Waco; S. Eckelman, New Or-  
 leans; J. A. Apple, D. W. Hinkle, C. J.  
 Watson, C. L. Watson, city.

Arrivals at the Central Hotel--McNally,  
 Newark, New Jersey; E. J. Raz, J. M. Hess,  
 Pearl; George McCarty, Mrs. McCarty,  
 Miss O. G. McCarty, George; William Hoff-  
 ber, Berne; James Holzer and family, Minn.  
 S. I. Walton, Gloucester, England; William  
 D. Jones, England; J. W. Allen, Arkansas;  
 Frank Gillett, Kansas; J. M. Maylor, Pan  
 Handle; R. C. Hughes, Kansas City; S. B.  
 Dorsey, Wichita, Kansas; L. W. Woolf, Tum  
 O. Ball, Austin; A. I. Barber, Pipe Creek;  
 Miss Annie Turner, Eagle Pass; D. F. Alcorn,  
 Mississippi; Mrs. T. P. Rivers, J. J. Griner,  
 Lennox and Andy Griner, Del Rio; James W.  
 Wren, Danville, Virginia; S. C. Bryan, Lex-  
 ington, Kentucky; S. C. Hopkins, D. G.  
 Knight, Abilene; W. P. Gaffer and family, H.  
 Pass and wife, Texas; J. T. Kesside, F. M.  
 Massfield, Pleasanton; J. C. Ward, President;  
 W. Dahnert, Leipzig, Germany; R. M. Gen-  
 tian, Minnesota; C. F. Lefevre, Michigan.

**BREAKING THE ORDINANCE.**

Several Hackmen Arrested by Officer  
 Chadwell and Fined for Leaving  
 Their Yarns Alone.

A whole array of hackmen appeared before  
 the Recorder to answer the charges of leaving  
 their backs alone. Officer Chadwell appearing  
 against the lot of them. Chadwell took a  
 stroll down the back line and found all the  
 drivers congregated by the sidewalk away  
 from their hacks. He then notified them they  
 were breaking the ordinance, and ar-  
 rested them. Semlinger and George Teed  
 were fined \$3 each. W. H. Adam said he  
 could prove that he had left his team in charge  
 of some one else, and called upon Tommy  
 Tucker, his witness, to confirm this statement.  
 Tommy came up and confirmed Adam's state-  
 ment inasmuch that he had left him (Tommy)  
 in charge of his hack, but when Chadwell  
 came round he, Tommy, could not tell and  
 didn't know whether Adam's team was there  
 or not. This elicited much laughter from the  
 lookers on, also a \$3 fine for Adam, who went  
 away evidently disgusted with his witness.  
 Connor, another hackman, was very much

displeased at being fined at all, and told the  
 Recorder so, for which he got \$5 added to  
 his former fine, for contempt of court. H. K.  
 Italy, more lucky than the rest, proved that  
 there was a man on the seat of his hack when  
 Chadwell took the number down; so he was  
 dismissed.

**Rose Eytinge.**  
 "A Winter's Tale," which embodies two  
 of Shakespeare's divinest women, Hermione  
 and Perdita, and one of his noblest princes,  
 Florizel, who, it seems, was made expressly to  
 mate with the gentle and beautiful Perdita,  
 was produced at Ford's opera house last  
 evening. Miss Rose Eytinge's conception of  
 the character of Hermione, which is the cen-  
 tral figure of the piece, evinces close insight  
 into the author's meaning, and in the statue  
 scene was especially natural and artistic. Mr.  
 Cyril Searle was excellent as Leontes. The  
 support are all to be commended for the able  
 and conscientious manner in which they pre-  
 sented their respective roles. (National Re-  
 publican, Washington, November 6, 1883.)  
 Turner opera hall to-morrow night.

**A Lumberman's Card.**

A party signing himself "Small Contractor"  
 in yesterday's issue of the Times attacks the  
 lumbermen here as being a band of greedy  
 and soulless monopolists. He says the lum-  
 bermen have ceased to go on the bonds of  
 small contractors, thus throwing all the weight  
 of their influence and financial standing in  
 favor of the heavy contractors. One word in  
 reply. The lumbermen have lost heavily by  
 a number of the small fry builders, who have  
 proven themselves as wanting in integrity.  
 They were obliged to protect not only them-  
 selves but the owners of buildings against  
 venal suits and dishonest men. They did  
 what any other organization of tradesmen  
 would do under the same circumstances in  
 protecting themselves. I need only add that  
 any responsible builder or contractor can get  
 all the lumber or material he desires on easy  
 terms at any yard in the city. But the other  
 class are not entitled to and cannot receive  
 any accommodations whatever.

**A LUMBERMAN.**

**After Marriage.**  
 Wife--"What are you doing, dear?"  
 Husband in a reflective attitude--"Think-  
 ing."

Wife--"Are you thinking of your little  
 wife, love?"  
 Husband--"No, I was thinking of some-  
 thing."

**Labor News.**

"Say, Sam, what are y' working at these  
 days?" said a colored man to another the  
 other day.  
 "Oh, I'm workin' in de stone quarry. I  
 does the blazin'."

"You mean, axh, what is de salary I am re-  
 compensated wid?"  
 "Yes."

"Why, I gets my board an' half de noise."

"Sarchin'?" Queries.

From the Boston Herald.  
 What sort of an exhibition would a great  
 political party make, on the eve of a Presi-  
 dential election, canvassing the probable effect  
 of its views upon the voters before proclaim-  
 ing them? This is the position which the  
 fight dodging Democrats ask their party to  
 take. But has the party no principles nor  
 policy? If so, how can they be concealed?  
 What makes it a party unless it be the pur-  
 pose to abate the war tariff exactions which  
 the Republicans would maintain? If the  
 people want protection for the sake of protec-  
 tion, they will keep the Republicans in power.

**Arkansas's Hot Springs.**

Correspondence to the New York Times.  
 They have a story down here of a trapper  
 traveling with his boy Ike, who came unex-  
 pectedly upon the Hot Springs one day, be-  
 fore there was any settlement. The boy saw  
 the strange water pouring from the rocks,  
 and wanted to stop and wash it. "No, go on,  
 go on," said the old man, "don't stop here  
 for your life; this place ain't more than  
 five miles from perdition!" Only he didn't  
 say perdition; that isn't the Arkansas name  
 for it. If the trapper were to come here now  
 and fall into the hands of any of the army of  
 quack doctors and other sharks who have  
 pitched their tents here, he might possibly  
 find he had covered the remaining five  
 miles.

**The Safest Part of a Car.**

From the New York Sun.  
 Four men half hidden in the smoke cloud of  
 a smoking box of a sleeping car on the Hud-  
 son River railroad spent an hour discussing  
 which part of a car was the safest to ride in.  
 They finally agreed to leave it to the conduc-  
 tor.

"Middle of saddle car, right-hand side,"  
 said the personage when asked.  
 The rapidly with which he spoke and the  
 mechanical manner in which he made the re-  
 ply led one of them to halt him as he was pass-  
 ing on and ask him to explain himself.

"Why," said he, "everybody asks me that  
 question, and I am so used to answering it  
 that I've got it down to the fewest words pos-  
 sible. I shouldn't wonder if you were to ask  
 me that when I am asleep if I would answer it  
 without waking up. The middle car of the  
 train is the safest, because it is the furthest re-  
 moved from a collision either in front or be-  
 hind. Even if an engine plunged into an  
 open draw bridge it might not take more than  
 a car or two with it. Couplings would be  
 likely to break, you know. Always sit in the  
 middle of a car, because when cars telescope  
 they are just not to telescope many feet, as  
 you can't tell which will telescope, and as  
 both ends may telescope, take to the middle.  
 Whatever car you go in, sit on the right hand  
 side of the car, which is to say, the side  
 farthest from the other track, because it some-  
 times happens that freight projects too far be-  
 yond a flat car and rips the windows out of  
 passing trains."

## TEXAS LEGISLATURE.

### PROCEEDINGS